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SUBJ: PRC VICE FOREIGN MINISTER'S COMMENT ON
SINO-U.S. RELATIONS

1. WASHINGTON POST HONG KONG CORRESPONDENT JAY MATTHEWS, WHO IS CURRENTLY VISITING CHINA AT THE INVITATION OF MFA INFORMATION DEPARTMENT, HAD AN INTERVIEW APRIL 25 WITH VICE FOREIGN MINISTER YU CHAN. INTERVIEW WAS GRANTED IN RESPONSE TO MATTHEWS' REQUEST TO SPEAK WITH SOMEONE ON U.S.-PRC RELATIONS

2. MATTHEWS TOLD USLO THAT YU CHAN, WHEN ASKED FOR HIS ASSESSMENT OF SINO-U.S. RELATIONS, SAID CHINESE LEADERS ARE STILL CONFUSED AS TO WHAT PRECISELY IS THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY TOWARD THE PRC. BOTH THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY VANCE, ACCORDING TO YU, HAVE SPOKEN IN GENERALITIES ABOUT UPHOLDING THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE, BUT THERE IS NO SIGN OF ANY CONCRETE ACTION. ON THE CONTRARY, U.S. LEADERS KEEP REFERRING TO THE NEED TO MAINTAIN THE SECURITY OF TAIWAN, WHICH IS A VIOLATION OF THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE.

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3. DURING CONVERSATION WITH USLO OFFICERS, MATTHEWS DID NOT SPEAK FROM NOTES, AND DID NOT GO INTO FURTHER DETAIL ON INTERVIEW. MATTHEWS AND HIS WIFE LINDA, WHO IS CORRESPONDENT FOR THE ASIAN WALL STREET JOURNAL, LEFT PEKING NIGHT OF APRIL 25 FOR CACHAI, AND STORY ON YU CHAN INTERVIEW MAY NOT BE SENT UNTIL

END OF THIS WEEK. REQUEST CONTENTS OF THIS MESSAGE
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